KIDNAPPED MARVIN BOY HERE?

POLICE GET BUSY AFTER HALF-EROTHER COMES TO TOWN.

half brother.

"We came originally from Sioux City,"

said Harvey Marvin. "Our family rela-

tions are ideal. There can be no suspicion

that any member of the family can be

implicated in this affair in any way. Neither

my father nor any member of the family

has any enemies that could be suspected

of this and we are at a loss to account for

the disappearance of the boy. Further-

more, my father is not a rich man by any

means. He is not worth more than \$20,000.

Hotel last night after he had seen Mr.

Bernecker and will leave for home this

afternoon. His visit to The Bronx led to

DOVER, Del., March 9 .- With his eldest

son in Hoboken, N. J., another relative on

his way to Pittsburg and the second son

still carrying on the search of his farm

while he busies himself with his letters and

telephone calls, Dr. Horace Marvin con-

tinued to-day to direct the search for his

Horace Marvins are apprehended nearly

The arrest ordered by Dr. Marvin last

night, that of bumboatman John Hart at

New Castle, was annulled to-day, Hart

having absolved himself. Myles Standish

the husband of Mrs. Marvin's sister, arrived

to-day from New York and the eldest son.

Harvey Marvin, got here from South Da-

kota. This practically brings in all the

A thorough sifting of the evidence of

Monday, the day of little Horace's disap-

pearance, shows that there were several

men, both whites and negroes, upon the

place aiding the Woodalls, the former

tenants and owners, in moving. These

men were all known in the neighborhood,

and one of them had to go to the abandoned

little Horace was playing. They were

packing old corks and net trimmings in

sacks for the final moving. They practi-

cally all admit seeing little Horace. How

the abductors could have operated without

these men observing them at any time is

PHILADELPHIA, March 9 .- Acting upon

everal clues, supplied partly by his own

men and partly by detectives of the State's

attorney's office of Delaware, Captain

of Detectives Lonaghy to-night instituted

a house to house search of every local negro

settlement for the missing Marvin boy.

Reserves from every police district are

visiting every section where colored people

It has be a reported by three persons

that the boy was seen with a negress. J.

yesterday afternoon. The child was cry-

ng. Walter Winner of 1111 Norris street

called up detective headquarters and re-

ported having positively seen the negress

His story was substantiated by Miss Edna

Jackson and two other young women at

the candy counter in the store. All are

MINISTER MERRY'S COMPLAINT.

by the President of Nicaragua

WASHINGTON, March 9.-United States

Minister William E. Merry, accredited to

Costa Rica, Nicaragua and San Salvador,

has sent despatches to the State Department

which amount to a complaint against Presi-

dent Zelayas and the Nicaragua Govern

ment on account of the treatment which

he received at their hands on the occasion

of his recent visit to the Nicaragua capital.

Mr. Merry, who spends most of his time in

San José, the capital of Costa Rica, recently

went to Managua to adjust the claims of

everal Americans, among them being the

case of George D. Emery and others of

Massachusetts, who had a concession from

the Government of Nicaragua for taking

out mahogany, which was hauled in logs

to the seaboard and shipped to the United

States and sold to the Pullman Palace Car

tween the concessionaires and the Govern-

ment, and Mr Merry was asked to lend his

good offices toward an adjustment. In

this he was successful, an agreement having

been reached to submit the matter to arbi-

In the matter of the claim of Sam Weil

of New Orleans, according to the report

Mr. Merry was not so successful. Mr. Weil

had a concession from Nicaragua for

handling the liquor trade and collecting a

revenue therefrom, amounting in effect to

an internal revenue tax. It is alleged that

his goods were shipped in bond to Nica-

ragua and as the result of some controversy

were seized by the Government. Mr. Weil

claimed \$30,000 damages, and an arbitra-

tion was arranged, but Mr. Weil, claiming

that he had not been treated fairly, refused

to abide by the settlement, and Mr. Merry

It is reported that he had a lively quarre

with President Zelayas and that he left the

Nicaragua capital with strained relations

existing between himself and the President

and some of the members of his Cabinet.

He has complained to the State Department.

that his cablegrams, which pass through

Nicaragua, have been "delayed and in-

While Mr. Merry's despatches have been

coming through in a more or less irregular

manner, he has taken the precaution to

BERTHA SCHERER MISSING.

Schoolmates Teased Her.

police last night for Bertha Scherer, a

thirteen-year-old girl, who lives at 726 East

149th street, and who disappeared on March

6. According to the girl's mother, Bertha

was unhappy at school and complained that

The girl attended a drawing school class

was last seen leaving the school. The

THE MONTH OF MARCH SOUTH.

A general alarm was sent out by the

sought to adjust the matter

coherent.

tration, and the cause is now pending.

Company. A misunderstanding arose be

certain the child was young Marvin.

and child enter a shop on Friday afternoon

W. Dixon of 3414 Ludlow street saw them

puzzling.

corn crib building in the stock yard where

relatives and enlists them in the search.

every day, but Dr. Marvin never tires.

missing son, Horace. Half a dozen little

to development of clues.

Dr. Marvin went to the Broadway Central

Two Men Say They Saw a Woman Bringing a Struggling Boy Over the Fort Lea Ferry Shortly After the Marvin Boy Was Stolen-Hoboken Clue Wrong.

Chief of Police Hayes of Hoboken was told vesterday that a four-year-old boy bearing a strong resemblance to the published pictures of Horace W. Marvin, Jr., the kidnapped son of Dr. Horace W. Marvin of Dover, Del., was being cared for by a woman at 122 Garden street. Hoboken. The chief was informed that the woman was a newcomer in the neighborhood and had been overheard to warn the boy repeatedly not to go away from the house. She manifested so much concern over the child that more than one person who had read about the Dover kidnapping case was convinced practically that the missing boy would be found there.

Chief Haves communicated his suspicions to the Dover authorities and asked that a representative of the Marvin family be sent to Hoboken to see the child.

Dr. Harvey W. Marvin, Dr. Horace Marvin's son, who lives at Blount, S. D., arrived in Hoboken last night hopeful of finding his small half-brother. He went to the Garden street house with Detective Sergeants Weinthal and Borrone and there saw Mrs. Frey, who keeps a boarding house there, and the four-year-old son of a newly arrived couple, whose names the police did not disclose Dr. Marvin was obliged to look at the boy sharply before he announced that the child was not his brother.

"The resemblance between the boys truly remarkable," he said later to Chief Hayes. "I never thought two children could look so much alike. It was worth the time and trouble to come from Delaware to see this little fellow."

The boys not only looked alike, the doctor aaid, but they were dressed alike.

Coming from Hoboken to this city last night Dr. Harvey W. Marvin picked up an evening newspaper and read the story of Louis Holmes, a painter and decorator living at 382 Pleasant avenue. Holmes told in detail how he and his wife had noticed on Monday night last a few hours after the kidnapping a bright looking child answering the description of the kidnapped Marvin boy in the arms of an unkempt Bohemian woman on a ferryboat coming from Fort Lee to 130th street, this city.

Holmes says that it was apparent that the child was not that of the Bohemian woman and that his suspicions were aroused. He observed, he said, that the child had a Buster Brown suit of good material, the same that the Marvin boy wore when kidnapped, under a coarse suit such as poor children of foreigners wear.

Holmes's story so impressed Dr. Marvin that he lost no time in making for Police Headquarters. He went into the detective bureau and asked what action the police taken in the matter. Barrett, in charge of the Central Office, said that the police of this city had taken no action in the case whatever.

While Dr. Marvin was talking to Sergt. Barrett, Robert Bernecker, manager of an electrical concern, called up from The Bronx and said that he too had noticed the boy on the Fort Lee ferry on Monday night. The story he told so impressed Barrett that he assigned Detective Sergeant Theodore Snyder to the case. The detective, in company with Dr. Marvin, hurried up to The Bronx to meet the latest inform-

It was learned subsequently from Sergi

Barrett that the man on the telephone had said that he was convinced that the child was not the son of the woman who carried him in her arms. The boy squirmed eried and wanted to get free from the mais grasp. She slapped him and otherwise used the boy roughly. Bernecker said that he talked to the woman. coording to the story told by Holmes and his wife, the Bohemian woman was eccompanied by a man. Judging from the story of the new informant it was he

whom they saw talking with the woman. I told the woman that the child she lad was not her own," said Bernecker. She said the child was her son, but that he had been brought up by her sister and therefore was not accustomed to her I followed them to Broadway and 130th streat and there lost trace of them I think that they took a southbound Broad-

way car, but I am not sure. Some time after the ferryboat had left the Jersey shore the attention of myself and wife was attracted to the pair and the child," said Holmes last night in telling of the occurence. "The woman was about 40 years old and dressed like a domestic the sat with the child in her arms up toward the bow of the boat. The child kept pulling and tugging in an effort to get away from her, and always kept pointing toward the stern of the boat as if he wanted to go back to Jersey. Once the boy broke away and started for the rear, but the woman

pulled him back so roughly that he cried. "My wife and myself quickly came to the conclusion that the woman was not the mother of the child. Other passengers noticed the woman and child and by the time the boat reached this side nearly all | communicate with the Department by mail, and thus far no settlement of the Weil case eyes in the forward part of the cabin were on the pair. I remarked to my wife that

I thought the boy was being kidnapped. "All the time during the trip over a man sat opposite the woman and affected not to know her, but he watched her and the child closely. He walked to the front door and then came back to his seat several times. When the boat landed the woman hurried off with the boy and the strange man joined

Holmes says he looked for a policeman sround the ferryhouse, but could find none. Then he went to the West 125th street police her schoolmates teased her and called her station, he says, and reported what he had names. seen. He was directed, Holmes says, by at 3309 Third avenue on Wednesday and the sergeant to report the matter to Police Headquarters, but as it was then quite late he did not feel like making the long trip Scherers used to live in Hoboken. About down town. Holmes says that when he two years ago Bertha ran away from her and his wife saw the pictures of the missing home here and was found there. Mrs. Marvin boy in the newspapers they recog- Scherer hopes that her daughter may be with some friends there, although she says nized immediately the child that the

she has searched three days in Hoboken Pohemian woman had. After reading the story told by Holmes and Jersey City for the girl. and after hearing the corroboration by telephone from Beonecker, Dr. Harvey Marvin Asheville. Alken, Augusta. Sunmerville Florida reached by the Southern Ry. The ro The Southern's Pain Limited, N. T. Offic and 1300 B'way.—Adv. was quite sure that the missing boy was is this city. While at Police Headquarters he told reporters that the kidnapped boy

was his father's youngest son by a second wife. Dr. Harvey Marvin said he was NEW PLAN FOR PHILIPPINES wife. Dr. Harvey Marvin said he was the oldest son of Dr. Marvin and was by the doctor's first wife. He is a physician

and a ranchman near Blunt, S. D., He NEUTRALIZE THE ISLANDS IS has come on here especially to find his THE SUGGESTION.

> They Would Be a Prolific Source of Troubi in Event of War and Might Force Us Seriously to Weaken Our Naval Defence-Project ls Vague as Yet.

WASHINGTON, March 9 .- On the surface of events no subject is further from engaging the serious attention of the American Government than any proposition to change the status of affairs in the Philippine Islands; yet there has recently been heard from a source of high authority a plan which, at some time not far remote, may prove to have the gravest bearing on the destiny of the archipelago. This is, in brief, a project for removing the Philippines forever from the field of international politics and rendering them no longer subject to the chances of a war between the United States and any other nation. It looks toward a neutralization of the islands.

The burden of the Philippines has no eemed lighter as the years have passed since the treaty of Paris was negotiated by which these islands were transferred to the United States; and thoughtful men in the Senate and in the Administration are not satisfied that the problems surrounding American proprietorship in the islands have been permanently settled.

High authorities on the subject, like Secretary Taft, believe that the best progress possible in the administration of affairs in the Philippines has been accomplished by the American Government; and so far as the internal affairs of the archipelago are concerned there is no serious cause of uneasiness. But nobody who knows anything about it believes otherwise than that self-government for the native inhabitants is a possibility so remote as to be outside the field of present consideration or dis-

cussion. The immediate problem, as far as the United States Government is concerned, is the wise administration of the internal affairs of the Philippine Islands in such a way as to promote the prosperity of the inhabitants and to prepare them, if possible,

for some sort of autonomy. The commercial value of the Philippines to the United States was a thing to conjure with in 1899 when the Paris treaty was trembling in the ratification balance, but it is a fact that in the calendar year 1906 the total commerce between the States and these islands was not half as great as that between the States and either Alaska, Hawaii or Porto Rico. Not unnaturally those Senators, even among the ruling political party, who regretted the necessity of accepting the burden of the Philippines in 1899 still fail to see any strong compensating advantage in this far distant possession

which the country has assumed. Thoughtful men therefore are looking into the future. Aside from the immediate problem of administration in the islands is the question of what might happen should States are dissatisfied because the Navy Department is keeping a great fleet in the Orient and only a few vessels of the cruiser and gunboat classes in home waters of the Pacific. It is one of the problems before the general board of the navy, for it is recognized that both the west coast station and the Asiatic station should be as strong

as possible. In the event of war with a nation having considerable strength in the Far East the distribution of the American naval forces on the Pacific would probably become a very nice question indeed, and this is brought about entirely by the fact that these Philippine Islands, thousands of miles from the mainland of the United States, must be defended as an American possession.

The plan for neutralization has not crys tallized; it has not even been thoroughly worked out by any statesman, as far as known. But it is true that one of the ablest members of the United States Senate on the Republican side has suggested the plan tentatively, but in strong terms of approval; and it is a certainty that the project will be exploited publicly at no remote time. The author of this plan recognizes the fact that each of the leading Powers of the world prefers that the United States should own the Philippines rather than that any other Power (except itself) should own them. He is of the opinion that even England, although allied by treaty with Japan, would prefer the continuance of American authority in the Philippines to the advent of Japanese authority in the islands. It is this Senator's belief, therefore, that in the event of a war between the United States and any one of the Powers there would be genuine anxiety among the other Powers lest the islands should be wrested from American authority. With every war cloud involving the United States would come uncertainty throughout Europe with reference to the disposition of the Philippines, and the islands might easily become a bone of contention among the nations, producing frequent inter-

national strife. To make the islands neutral ground among all the Powers would remove a cause of anxiety not only from this Government but from the leading nations of Europe. To render this plan practicable, of course, no military base could be utilized in these islands by any nation, not even the United States; and since, under the neutralization arrangement, the Philippines could not be seized by any Power, the American Government would be under no necessity

of defending them. FISH HEAR AND TALK.

Italian Professor With Microphonograph Caught Their Humming.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. Paris, March 9 .- At the next meeting at

the Academy of Sciences a paper will be read which will rob France of one of its oldest sayings, "Deaf as a fish."

Prof. Koellickeb, director of the Zoological Laboratory at Naples, has sent the paper to the academy describing experiments with a special miorophonograph which proved that fish, even shellfish, emit a certain humming, varying their tones and enabling them to communicate with each other

He found the gurnet the most loquacious and so well qualified as to be entitled to the nickname "sea lawyer."

DEWEY'S CLARET OR SAUTERNE PUNCH

BAD NICARAGUAN DEFEAT. San Salvador Reports Force Annihilated

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ecial Cable Despatch to THE SUN. SAN SALVADOR, March 9 .- According to despatches received here a large force of Nicaraguans was practically annihilated in a three hours battle with the Honduran army yesterday afternoon near Juguare. The Nicaraguans attacked the Hondurans who occupied strong positions in defence

by Honduras-State of Slege.

finally routing the enemy. WASHINGTON, March 9 .- The State Department this morning received a despatch from the United States Consul-General at

of the town and repulsed the charges

San Salvador in which he says that a state of siege was declared there yesterday." It is explained at the State Departmen that the action of Salvador in declaring a state of siege is simply a measure of precaution, frequently resorted to in Central American countries when the country threatened with war or invasion, and indicates that Salvador is apprehensive that she may be drawn into the controversy between Nicaragua and Honduras. The proclamation of a siege is in effect a declaration of martial law and withdraws some

constitutional privileges and guarantees. According to a despatch received by the State Department to-day from Philip Brown, the secretary of the United States Legation to Honduras and Guatemala. the President of Honduras and all of the members of his Cabinet, except the Minister of Public Works, are at the front leading the Honduran forces against the troops of Nicaragua. The Minister of Public Works is at Tegucigalpa conducting the affairs of the Government of Honduras Mr. Brown's despatch is dated at Amapala and states that he is about to start for Tegucigalpa, the capital of Honduras, to look after American interests there.

MODUS VIVENDI WITH GERMANY. Trade Agreement Proposed to Be Operativ Until a Treaty Can Be Made

WASHINGTON, March 9 .- As a result of the work of the North commission, which last fall went to Berlin to arrange the basis of a trade agreement with Germany, an understanding has been reached practically that a modus vivendi shall be agreed to which will ontinue, with certain modifications and elaborations, the present trade relations between this country and Germany This is the suggestion of Director of the Census North, who was the head of the commission, and which the State Department has approved. It is also understood that the German Ambassador, with the consent of his Government, is agreeable to such an arrangement and that it will be entered into when the present agreement expires.

The North commission brought back two plans for the promotion and enlargement of our trade relations with Germany. One was for the negotiation of a trade treaty, which of course would require legislative enactment and ratification by the Senate. The other was for an agreement under the powers granted to the President by section 3 of the present tariff act and designed to bridge over the time necessary to work out a proper treaty. but that there should be legislative action the United States become involved in an which would augment the powers of the international war. At this very time the President under this provision of the Dingley law and enable him to gran sions upon a larger number of articles than he is authorized to do at present

As neither of these plans could be carried out without action of Congress, which was impossible in the short time allowed by the recent session, it has been decided to arrange a modus vivendi, which will be operative doubtless for some period less than a year. This would give Congress ample time in which to take the necessary action for a trade agreement under one or the other plans proposed by the North commission.

ARCHIE MUCH BETTER.

"General Improvement," Say the Physiclans, Since Friday Night.

WASHINGTON, March 9. - The condition of Archie Roosevelt, the President's son who is ill with diphtheria at the White House, was so much better to-day that only one official bulletin wassissued during the day. This was at 9 o'clock, when the following information was given out in writing from the business office of the White House:

"The physicians report that Archie Roose velt had a good night. No unfavorable symptom and a general improvement since last report.

The "last report" referred to was the bulletin issued at 10 o'clock last night. which said that the patient was doing well and the case was as favorable as could be expected under the circumstances. It has not been denied from the first that the attack of diphtheria is a virulent one and that Archie is a very sick boy. The unfavorable symptoms of Thursday afternoon, however, have not been repeated and there has been no sinking spell or re-

lapse since that time. The situation was so encouraging this afternoon that Dr. Lambert left the White House for nearly three hours. He went out for a long horseback ride in the country with the President. They drove out to Georgetown in the President's carriage and the horses were in waiting for them there. Dr. Lambert has been optimistic about the outcome of Archie's illness since

President Roosevelt went to his office as usual this morning and was there continuously until 4 o'clock, except for an hour when he went over to the house for luncheon.

The following bulletin, dated 8:45 o'clock, was given out at the White House to-night: "Archie's throat is regaining its normal appearance. He has been suffering recently from some of the sequelæ of diphtheria, which have subsided At present he is in excellent condition and there are no unfav rable indications "

BOZZUFFI SUFFERS AGAIN.

Father Aftre

There was a fire yesterday afternoon in the tenement at 319 East Sixty-first street, owned by John Bozzuffi, the Italian banker, who lives at 339 East Sixty-second street, and who has suffered from Black Hand blackmailers in the past. His fifteenyear-old boy disappeared or several days last year and several tenements he owns

have been damaged by bombs. A neighbor smelled smoke in the tene ment yesterday and opened the cellar door to discover flames and smoke. When the fire engines arrived the fire had spread Ready to serve. Sure to please your guests.

H. T. Dewey & Sons Co., 135 Fulton St., New York.

investigate.

JEROME LINES UP EXPERTS.

STRAIGHT OUT FIGHT TO PROVE THAT THAW IS SANE.

All Day Conference at the District Attor ney's Office, With Nine Doctors on Hand -Long Hypothetical Question Ready to Submit to Them-Denial From Thaw,

When the District Attorney's office closed at 8 o'clock last night there was no doubt left as to the prosecution's side in the trial of Harry K. Thaw. Everything indicated that District Attorney Jerome had abandoned any idea of getting a lunacy commission and that from now on every effort will be made to bring about a con-Nine doctors were summoned to the

District Attorney's office vesterday. Three were alienists who have been attending the trial right along. They were Drs. Mabon, Flint and MacDonald. The others were doctors who have not been mentioned in the case before. From the little that was disclosed in the District Attorney's office it would seem that they are eminent insanity experts. Mr. Jerome refused to make their names public. It is quite probable that he will put five or six of them on the stand to testify that Thaw was sane when he killed Stanford White.

When Mr. Jerome reached the District Attorney's office yesterday morning he turned things upside down. The first thing that he did was to announce that he would need every stenographer and clerk in the office until late in the evening. After that the experts began to arrive.

The nine alienists were assembled in the library of the District Attorney's office. Then all the evidence in the case was presented to them. Mr. Jerome told them all that he wanted to know what their opinions were, and that it didn't make any difference to him whether they said Thaw was sane or insane. All he wanted to know was their opinion.

When he got through the doctors agreed that on the evidence in the case Thaw was not insane when he killed Stanford White. Until late last night Mr. Jerome and his assistants were busy preparing a hypothetical question to submit to the experts for the prosecution. Mr. Jerome refused to say last night how many of the doctors would be called to express that opinion to the jury.

The insanity experts left the Criminal Courts Building at 8 o'clock last night. At that time Mr. Jerome was almost worn out. From early in the day he had been wrestling with the experts, most of whom had no idea of the case except from the newspapers.

After Thaw's wife had had a talk with him in the Tombs yesterday he took the trouble to deny a story that the Countess of Yarmouth, his sister, would do everything in her power to separate him from his wife should he be acquitted. Thaw made this statement:

"I wish to deny as emphatically as possible the published report that my sister, ogs of Varmou bringing about a separation between my wife and me at the conclusion of the trial. Perfect harmony exists between my wife, my sister and myself, as indeed between all the members of my family. Such a thing as a separation has never been or never will be considered by me or by my relatives. "The Countess of Yarmouth is very friendly with Mrs. H. K. Thaw and holds

her in the highest esteem "As for myself, my love for my wife greater to-day than it ever was before, if that is possible. I hope that this denial from me will forever set at rest the absurd

story of a possible estrangement. Thaw got a present yesterday from an Italian, Raphael Cascone, who has been future Dreadnoughts and buge American convicted of murder, but got a new trial. Cascone gave him a picture of Washington surrounded by postage stamps Thaw thought so much of it that he gave it to his

TO SELL BRUNETIERE'S BOOKS. Anonymous American Buyers for Harvard

Hinted At. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
PARIS, March 9.—An anonymous American purchaser is a very useful individual in Europe. It is not only picture dealers who find him a benefactor. If he does not raise prices he serves as a means of

raising them. To such an extent does he figure that one does not know any more in any given instance whether some American is really after some art object or other or whether

his formidable shadow is used for covert To-day it was announced that Brunetiere's admirable library is to be sold. Coupled with the announcement is the statement

that some unnamed Americans have already offered to purchase the library for Harvard The Figaro makes a strong appeal to the patriotism of Frenchmen to save these

treasures to France. Brunetiere loved not only books but rare editions. He annotated freely whatever he possessed. He amassed nearly 15,000 volumes, some of which are exquisitely bound. "He was of the line of Sainte-Beuve!" exclaims the Figaro enthusiastically. One of Brunetière's ssessions was Sainte-Beuve's "French Poetry of the Sixteenth Century," with Sainte-Beuve's autographic notes prepared for a new edition. There is also an annotated copy of Renan's "Origin of Christianity," the notes running to the year before Brunetière's death.

RUEF INVOKES CONSTITUTION And Applies to the Federal Courts to Get

SAN FRANCISCO, March 9 .- Abe Ruef wiil have to spend the time under guard in the St. Francis Hotel till Monday, when his attorneys will have an opportunity to secure release on a writ of habeas corpus.

Judge De Haven of the United States District Court issued an order to-day directing Elisor Biggy to appear Monday and show cause why he should not release Ruef. The petition signed by Ruef and his law-

yer. Murphy, goes over old ground that the Grand Jury wasn't a legal body, because of the presence of Wallace Wise, who had already sat on a petty jury in the same year. The attorneys have brought the matter within the Federal jurisdiction by invoking the constitutional provision that no man shall be unlawfully deprived of his liberty.

FAST P. R. R. TRAIN WRECKED. Quaker City Express Derailed on Mountain Top-None Killed.

PITTSBURG, March 9.—Train No. 46 of the Pennsylvania Railroad, known as the Quaker City Express, was derailed this evening near Cresson at the top of the Alleghany Mountains. The train was going at a clip of forty-five miles an hour. One car left the track and was somewhat shattered. There was no loss of life, although the car was filled with passengers for Philadelphia from

Pittsburg. A broken rail is said to have been the cause of the derailment. The scene of the disaster was but a few miles above the scene of the recent Mineral Point wreck. Luckily, however, the train to-night was running up the mountain. It took but a short time to fix the track so the train could proceed to Altoona, where another car was taken on in place of the wrecked one, which was left in the ditch on the mountain side.

CASTRO WELL AGAIN.

enezuelan Consul-General Here So Informed by Cable

Carlos B. Figueredo, Consul-General here of Venezuela, received a cable despatch yesterday saying: "President Castro completely restored."

EDNA MAY A JEWESS?

Reynolds's Newspaper" Hints That She Will Be When She Weds Mr. Lewisohn. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON March 10.—"Will Edna May be

come a Jewess?" is the query propounded by Reynolds's Newspaper above a column article which apparently answers it in a sympathetic affirmative. It quotes the quatrain, including the lines. Shall I give up the friend we valued and tried

If he kneel not before the same altar with me' Miss May, it says, used this in replying to a friend's inquiry as to whether the fact that Mr. Lewisohn was a Jew would prevent her becoming his wife.

The newspaper reports that Mr. Lewisohn's relatives are opposed to the marriage on religious grounds, but this difficulty will be overcome by the young woman joining the Jewish faith. If this arrangement is carried out it is expected that the chief rabbi of England will officiate at the marriage.

FARMERS HAVE A UNION And Want to Affiliate With the C. F. U. for Mutual Profit

A report will be made to-day to the Central Federated Union by its executive committee on a proposition by the Farmers' Union asking for its cooperation in a plan to establish distributing centres where farm produce can be sold direct, instead of through middlemen or speculators. In return the farmers will buy only union made articles and will recognize the unions generally.

It was said vesterday that the general sentiment was in favor of the plan, but something more specific would be asked for before the C. F. U. commits itself.

TO ENLARGE SHIP CANAL. Germany to Make Kaiser Withelm Cut Available for Big Ships.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, March 10 .- A Berlin despatch to oud's Weekly gave the Corman Cove ment has decided on the great engineering work of widening and deepening the Kaiser Wilhelm Canal, connecting the North Sea and the Baltic. It will take ten years to complete the work, and it will cost \$50,000.

Since the opening of the canal in 1895 it has been found wholly inadequate, especially for the passage of the leviathan vessels of the present day in peace or war times. The greatest surface breadth of the canal is only about 90 feet and the bed breadth 70 feet. The biggest locks are 470 feet long,

80 feet broad and 30 feet deep. The German Admiralty and the leaders of the mercantile marine agree that for liners the dimensions of the canal are use-

WOMAN CAPTURES BURGLAR.

He Breaks Away, but She Follows Him Int the Street and Outruns Him

Mrs. Margaret Decasbarse of 89 Rochester avenue, Brooklyn, after a severe tussel last night with a negro burglar, managed to capture him and hold him until a patrolman arrived. The burglar said Gold street. It was shortly before 6 o'clock last evening that he got into the house with a skeleton key. In the front room on the second floor he picked up a zither and some clothing and was about to leave the house when Mrs. Decasbarse put in an appearance.

When the negro dropped his booty and started to leave the room she grappled with him. He finally got away from her and ran down the stairs and then down the front stoop to the street. Mrs. Decasbarse followed and saw him run toward Dean street. She ran after him. Turning into Dean street the burglar began to run toward Utica avenue. Mrs. Decasbarse did not give up, but continued the chase and at last. just before Utica avenue was reached, she caught him. Just at that time Patrolman Interman appeared.

WM. T. EVANS'S GIFT. Valuable Collection of Paintings Presented to the National Gallery.

WASHINGTON, March 9. - William T. Evans of Montclair, N. J., has presented to the National Gallery a collection of forty paintings by leading American artists. They are to be known as the "William T. Evan Collection," and will be temporarily placed in the atrium of the Corcoran Art Gallery in this city, 'The collection is valued at \$100,000, and includes works by many well known artists, such as George Inness Homer Martin, Alexander H. Wyant, John H. Twachtman, Winslow Homer, Ralph Albert Blakelock, Louis Paul Oresser, Henry W. Ranger, Francis Murphy and John J a Farge

LAETARE MEDAL AWARDED To Miss Katherine E. Conway, Editor of the Boston "Pilot."

SOUTH BEND, March 9. Katherine Eleanor Conway, editor of the Boston Pilot, was elected to-day as the recipient of the Laetare medal for 1907

The medal is given annually by the Notre Dame University to some member of the Catholic laity in the United States dis-tinguished for service to religion, art. science or philanthropy. Miss Conway is the fourth woman to receive the honor

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PRESTON FACED EXPOSURE.

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 1907. Cloudy to-day; rain or snow to-night or to-morrow.

> EMBEZZLER FOR \$50,000 AND FORGER FOR \$8,000.

> Had Gambled on the Racetrack to Recoup His Losses -Had Thirty-five Cepts When He Committed Suicide-Downfail Began Gnly About Two Years Ago.

Leonidas M. Preston, the treasurer of the Timken Roller Bearing Axle Company who died suddenly on Thursday night in his apartments in the Hotel Cumberland, committed suicide. The poison which caused death, hydrocyanic or prussic acid, was self-administered. Preston took his life because he knew that he could no longer keep secret the fact that he was a defaulter for many thousands of dollars to his company and that the world would soon know, also, that he was a forger and a racetrack gambler.

All of this was disclosed yesterday at the preliminary examination made by Coroner Julius Harburger. From the beginning the Coroner did not like the aspects of the case and despite the assurance given to him by Dr. George H. Mallett, Preston's physician, that death had been caused by spinal meningitis and that Dr. Mallett would willingly certify to that, Coroner Harburger insisted on an autopsy. Dr. O'Hanlon made it, and following the discovery of the poison in Preston's stomach came a series of revelations that astounde relatives, business associates and every body who knew him and believed him to b a business man of large means and unques tionable integrity.

The Timken company has had preliminary reports from the expert accountants which indicate a defalcation by Preston of not less than \$50,000. Edward R. Hewitt. president of the company, admits that his indorsements were forged for several thousand dollars on promissory notes by Preston. Just how many of these notes are in existence he does not know. Charles K. Beekman, Mr. Hewitt's attorney, said that it was thought the forgeries will not exceed \$8,000

The Riverside Bank holds some of this paper and two other banks are known to have accepted it. The Riverside Bank had Mr. Hewitt's signature in its books and a comparison, it is said, would have shown that the paper handed in by Preston were forgeries. His credit was such, after the many thousands of dollars worth of business he had done there, that the bogus

paper never aroused suspicion. Preston's downfall began less than two years ago. Up to that time he attended to business strictly, was temperate, never gambled and had small sympathy with men who did. For years he had a strong aversion to anything that savored of speculation and particularly objected to horse racing. One day about two years ago he accepted an invitation to go to the race track "just to look on," and one of his friends in a banter ing mood dared him to make a bet. He laughingly assented, placing \$20 on a horse at big odds. Many a good man's fate was his. He won his first bet. It was not yet the second anniversary of that venture before the gambling craze had taken com-

plete possession of him Mrs. Preston is left without a penny, she says. In his attempts to recoup his losses and avert the exposure which he knew impended Preston had allowed all his life insurance to lapse.

Many of Preston's friends insist that he was demented and say no other theory will explain much that has been disclosed. He appears to have feared that he was losing his mind, for a card found in his effects and written some time last September indicated as much. On that card he had written:

"I fully realize that I am and have been for some time insane. I have lost my mind, my power to grasp things and my memory. I have lost everything except my faith in God and in His Son, Jesus Christ, I am in His hands in all things. He is my refuge and my strength and He will never forsake me.

On another card were written instructions in case of his "sudden death or an accident," showing that suicide was even then considered. He said notice should be sent to he was Henry Williams, 28 years old, of 222 | his mother in Tyler, Tex., a brother in that State and several of his business associates. He also directed that a policy on his life in the Equitable company be paid to his wife and gave the number of the policy. The Equitable officials said yesterday that this policy had been allowed to lapse last

During the last year Preston began to talk of a great fortune, two millions or more, that he said he would soon inherit He made most of his friends believe it and his wife too. She had always thought him a millionaire. It is known now that the fortune was a myth, that all he owned was 150 shares of stock in the Timken company and his salary of \$2,500 a year

William R. Timken of the Timken Roller Bearing Axle Company of Canton, Ohio, which is entirely independent of the New York company bearing the same name. said yesterday that he had known Preston for fourteen years and had started him in business. When six years ago Mr. Timken originated the Canton company to sell his inventions Preston became one of his salesmen. Four years ago Preston came to New York and organized the New York company to handle the Canton concern's output. It was capitalized at \$100,000. of which \$47,500 was paid in. Edward R. Hewitt, one of the largest stockholders, became its president. Other stockholders were Preston, Henry Raux and George

Knowing Preston so well Mr. Timken gave him unlimited credit. He always met his obligations until about a year ago. Then he began to fall behind, and soon after that began to talk of the great fortune he was soon to come into. Mr. Timken said he never placed any stock in that tale. but so persistently did Preston refer to it and such a bold front did he make in his style of living that nearly everybody else did believe him and rated him a millionaire. Recently Mr. Timken found that the New York concern owed him about 314,000, and getting nothing satisfactory by mail he came on to New York to investigate. He had a talk with President Hewitt and Leonard Gray, another officer of the company, and they told him that they, too, had inot liked the looks of things for some time. They said that they had been investigating during a trip Preston made with his wife to